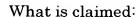
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- 1. A cyclonic vacuum cleaner which comprises:
- a cleaner body with a fan unit;

a vacuum tube having a suction hole at a distal end thereof;

a dust collection container which is approximately cylinder-shaped, having a bottom;

an attachment portion for detachably attaching said dust collection container, said attachment portion being mounted to the cleaner body or to the vacuum tube;

a first air path extending from said suction hole to said attachment portion in a manner capable of communicating with said dust collection container;

a second air path extending from said attachment portion to said fan unit, communicating with said dust collection container, wherein:

a vortex flow generating member for generating a vortex flow in said dust collection container is provided in an opening of said dust collection container, said vortex flow generating member comprising:

a base which is formed into a shape of a short cylinder or a truncated cone; an airflow guide provided on a side surface of said base;

a first vent hole provided at an end of said base;

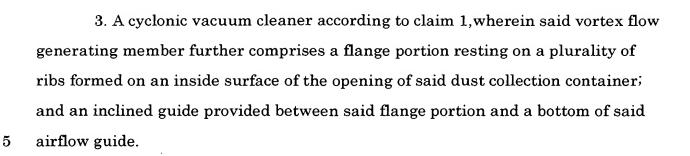
a second vent hole provided at another side surface of said base; and

a filter provided in each of said fist and second vent holes.

2. A cyclonic vacuum cleaner according to claim 1, wherein a skirt portion is provided around a periphery of said first vent hole.

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- 4. A cyclonic vacuum cleaner according to claim 2, wherein said vortex flow generating member further comprises a flange portion resting on a plurality of ribs formed on an inside surface of the opening of said dust collection container; and an inclined guide provided between the flange portion and a bottom of said airflow guide.
- 5. A cyclonic vacuum cleaner according to claim 1, wherein a filter member including a sack-like filter is provided above said vortex flow generating member.
- 6. A cyclonic vacuum cleaner according to claim 2, wherein a filter member including a sack-like filter is provided above said vortex flow generating member.
- 7. A cyclonic vacuum cleaner according to claim 3, wherein a filter member including a sack-like filter is provided above said vortex flow generating member.
- 8. A cyclonic vacuum cleaner according to claim 4, wherein a filter member including a sack-like filter is provided above said vortex flow generating member.
- 9 A cyclonic vacuum cleaner according to claim 5, wherein said filter member comprises a frame made of soft resin.

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- 10. A cyclonic vacuum cleaner according to claim 6, wherein said filter member comprises a frame made of soft resin.
- 11. A cyclonic vacuum cleaner according to claim 7, wherein said filter5 member comprises a frame made of soft resin.
 - 12. A cyclonic vacuum cleaner according to claim 8, wherein said frame is brought into close contact with the opening of said dust collection container.
 - 13. A cyclonic vacuum cleaner according to claim 9, wherein said frame is brought into close contact with the opening of said dust collection container.
 - 14. A cyclonic vacuum cleaner according to claim 10, wherein said frame is brought into close contact with the opening of said dust collection container.

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